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**[Studies on the pharmacokinetics and relative bioavailability of salbutamol aerosol in healthy volunteers]**

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AIM: To study the pharmacokinetics and relative bioavailability of salbutamol aerosol in healthy volunteers. METHODS: An HPLC method for the determination of salbutamol in human plasma was improved. Ten healthy male subjects were enrolled. A randomized, two-way crossover, open design was adopted. After the subjects inhaled or orally administered salbutamol, fourteen blood samples were taken at predetermined time. The concentrations of salbutamol in plasma were determined by HPLC, and then assessed with PCNONLIN software to obtain the pharmacokinetic parameters and relative bioavailability of aerosol versus water solution. RESULTS: The standard curve was linear over the range 0.2-20 ng.mL<sup>-1</sup>. The intra- and interassay RSDs were 7.01% and 2.10% at 0.4 ng.mL<sup>-1</sup>, 2.18% and 5.25% at 4.0 ng.mL<sup>-1</sup> and 4.61% and 4.85% at 15.0 ng.mL<sup>-1</sup>. The recoveries were between 90% and 110%. The pharmacokinetics of salbutamol aerosol was described well with a two-compartment model, and the parameters for salbutamol inhaled and orally administered were assessed as follows: T<sub>max</sub> were (0.22 +/- 0.07) h and (1.8 +/- 0.6) h, C<sub>max</sub> were (3.4 +/- 1.1) ng.mL<sup>-1</sup> and (3.9 +/- 1.4) ng.mL<sup>-1</sup>, T<sub>1/2</sub> beta were (4.5 +/- 1.5) h and (4.6 +/- 1.1) h, respectively. The AUC<sub>0-20 min</sub> (inhal) was 7.94 times as high as the AUC<sub>0-20 min</sub> (p.o.). There were significant differences between T<sub>max</sub>, AUC, K<sub>12</sub>, K<sub>21</sub>, alpha and T<sub>1/2</sub> alpha (P < 0.05). The relative bioavailability of salbutamol aerosol was 57.23% compared with its oral solution. CONCLUSION: The assay was sensitive, specific, accurate and precise. The absorption process of salbutamol aerosol in human was significantly different from that of the oral solution. It was demonstrated that AUC<sub>0-20 min</sub> reflected the lung availability of salbutamol inhaler.

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